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NEW INMATE DISENCHANTED WITH PRISON

When the sheriff brought new commitment Orville Evans to Control One, the new arrival immediately let it be known that he was not pleased with his surroundings.

Sgt. Joe Taylor was manning Control One at the time the new inmate was brought in, and learned from commitment papers that one Orville Evans was being registered into prison, since the new inmate refused to give his name or address.

When asked to surrender his money and personal belongings, Evans told officers, "You (censored) people ain't getting my money," and proceeded to tear his paper money into small bits, and sent his coins flying down the corridor. Sgt. Robert Warren, the officer in charge of the Orientation Unit, summoned Identification Officer Jim Johnson, who gathered up the confettied paper currency and put it in Evans' property envelope, to be given to him when he is released. Evans is the only person who knows the amount of money he had when he arrived at the institution, and is also the only one who knows the number of pieces he will have to handle to assemble the bills into spendable condition.

Evans next refused to undress or don dress-in coveralls, and officers had to remove his civilian clothing and dress him in whites.

Evans is reported to have stated he spent fourteen years in the hole while in Nebraska, and could spend his time in the hole here, too. Officers gave him the benefit of his own opinion, and escorted him to a cell on B-North.

Pointerites are waiting to see what type of excitement develops when Evans appears before the Classification Committee for custody classification and work assignment.

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The harrassed father of eleven kids answered his front door-bell one day, and in front of him stood a man with a little black bag.

"I hope and pray," he muttered, "that you're just the TV repairman!"



"It is so my damn business!"

OFFICE SPACE AT PREMIUM AT POINT

Three Social Case-Workers share one office in the Administration Corridor.

John Kemp, clerk for the Inmate Services Coordinator, was crowded into the Classification Office.

Kemp did not complain about being granted desk space in the already-crowded office. He had been forewarned by his predecessor, Jim Geiger, who had remarked, "as tight as office space is around here, I expected I might have to set up my office in the men's restroom."

A plan was suggested that the old Officer's Barber Shop be converted into additional office space to relieve some of the congestion in the present offices of the Administration Corridor. This proposal received a very lukewarm reception from the Warden.

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BROTHERLY LOVE...

Jerry Lindsay says he doesn't hate anyone, but if he ever decides to hate anyone, he already has the guy picked out.



# EDITORIAL...

---Quay Kilburn

"See Jack.  
See Jack run.  
See Jack run fast."

Once upon a time, there was an old territorial prison located on the outskirts of Salt Lake City. In this prison there lived many prisoners. These prisoners divided up two-hundred jobs and work assignments among twice that many convicts. This left half of them with lots of idle time. Many of them spent this idle time in gambling. They would gamble with cards. Cards had been declared as illicit items, and taboo contraband. Consequently a forty-nine cent pack of cards cost five dollars on the black market. The exorbitant price was due to the risk involved in having a guard or prison employee smuggle in the playing cards.

When the traffic in this black market became unreasonable, the prison administration changed the regulation against playing cards, and stocked them in the Inmate Commissary, at the same price they could be bought at a drugstore or department store. Within a few weeks, playing cards, that formerly brought five dollars per deck, could not be sold for the original 49¢ per deck.

The abstract point being made here is that social behavior and morals cannot be legislated. You cannot cure a social evil by passing a law.

Now we come to the method of coping with the crime problem in my home-town of Salt Lake City.

The criminal element has given the Utah capitol the dubious reputation of being a "push-over" for a successful burglary or robbery, providing you obey all traffic laws, and don't try to buy a drink after hours.

It is well known that you can get away with a safe-cracking job, or a robbery, but don't dare play any Bingo,

or attend a rooster fight.

It's practically a cinch to get away with a heist, but be extremely careful about crossing the path of the vice squad, such as entering a private club, or a place where you could come to the attention of vice officers.

And as the crime-rate soars, they arrive at a solution---pass more laws, and build bigger prisons!

There must be a better way!

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## RED CROSS LAUDS MEN AT POINT

The following letter was received by Warden Turner, and relayed to the Pointer News:

Dear Warden Turner:

"We are desirous of expressing appreciation for the blood drawing conducted recently at the State Prison. On our behalf, would you express our sincere thanks to the inmates who responded to the request to become blood donors. For many people requiring blood the past few weeks, they were very important people. We appreciate their willingness to help, and again express our thanks to them through you.

We have had the opportunity to make blood replacements for dependent members of a few inmate's families recently, and have been pleased to be of assistance. Again, thank you for your cooperation in accepting the mobile unit at the Prison to draw blood."

Sincerely,

Orrin B. Beckstrand  
Administrative Director  
American Red Cross



NEW SLATE OF OFFICERS ELECTED TO HEADAMBASSADORS TOASTMASTERS CLUB

The Past President of the Ambassadors Gavel Club, Robert Pine, informed the Pointer News that recent elections held by the club resulted in the following elective appointments:

PRESIDENT,

Troy Wilson,  
Furniture Industries

ADMINISTRATIVE VICE PRESIDENT,

Robert Pine  
USP Cannery

EDUCATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT,

Joseph Atkinson,  
Chief Clerk, Education Department

PROGRAM CHAIRMAN,

Virgil McDorman,  
L.D.S. Chaplain's Clerk

SECRETARY,

Richard Wyatt,  
Clerk, Culinary Department

TREASURER,

Thomas Williams,  
Carpenter Shop

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS,

Robert Gallegos,  
Furniture Industries

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hardy continue to serve as Club Sponsors.

Winners of BEST SPEECH awards during recent meetings were:

Robert Pine

Joe Atkinson

Calton Royall

Gary Hobbs

Fred Omura

Lee Sanford

Irvin Davis

Joe Atkinson

Virgil McDorman

Voted as BEST EVALUATORS were:

Lee Sanford

George Marsh

Ted Zweigenbaum

Troy Wilson

Kennedy Grant

Irvin Davis

Virgil McDorman

Richard Wyatt



"Now pay attention, Miss Huffman, and I'll try to explain exactly what happened."

LIAHONA TOASTMASTERS GROUP ELECTS NEWSLATE OF OFFICERS

In the semi-annual club elections held by the Liahona Gavel Club, the club secretary announced the election of the new executive officers:

CLUB PRESIDENT,

Richard Straley,  
Hospital Technician

ADMINISTRATIVE VICE PRESIDENT,

David Dodge,  
Visually Handicapped Program

EDUCATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT,

Frank Thomas,  
Machine Shop

SECRETARY,

Al Siekert,  
Furniture Industries

TREASURER,

Richard Hansen,  
Furniture Industries

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS,

Tommy Olsen,  
Hospital Attendant

PROGRAM CHAIRMAN,

Kennedy Grant,  
Furniture Industries

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## LIAHONA TOASTMASTERS...(Continued)

Club Sponsor is Mr. Bruce Davis,  
Supervisor, USP Upholstery Shop.

Winners of BEST SPEECH awards during  
recent club meetings were:

Ervin Davis  
Leroy Newman  
Dick Hansen  
Claude Parks  
Richard Straley  
David Dodge

Winners of BEST EVALUATOR awards were:

Max Johnson  
Delbert Clark  
Robert Pine  
Leroy Newman  
Frank Thomas  
John Markham  
Richard Straley

The gavel clubs are operating under  
charters from the Toastmasters Inter-  
national home office in Santa Ana,  
California. The executive officers of  
both clubs report that their groups  
are functioning with programs out-  
lined in the Toastmasters manual.

An evaluator is assigned to judge  
each speaker, and marks the grading  
sheet in categories of POOR, FAIR,  
GOOD, VERY GOOD, and EXCELLENT.

One of the items being used is the  
"Speaker's Profile Sheet" to evaluate  
each scheduled speaker. This work-  
sheet has graded entries for such

things as:

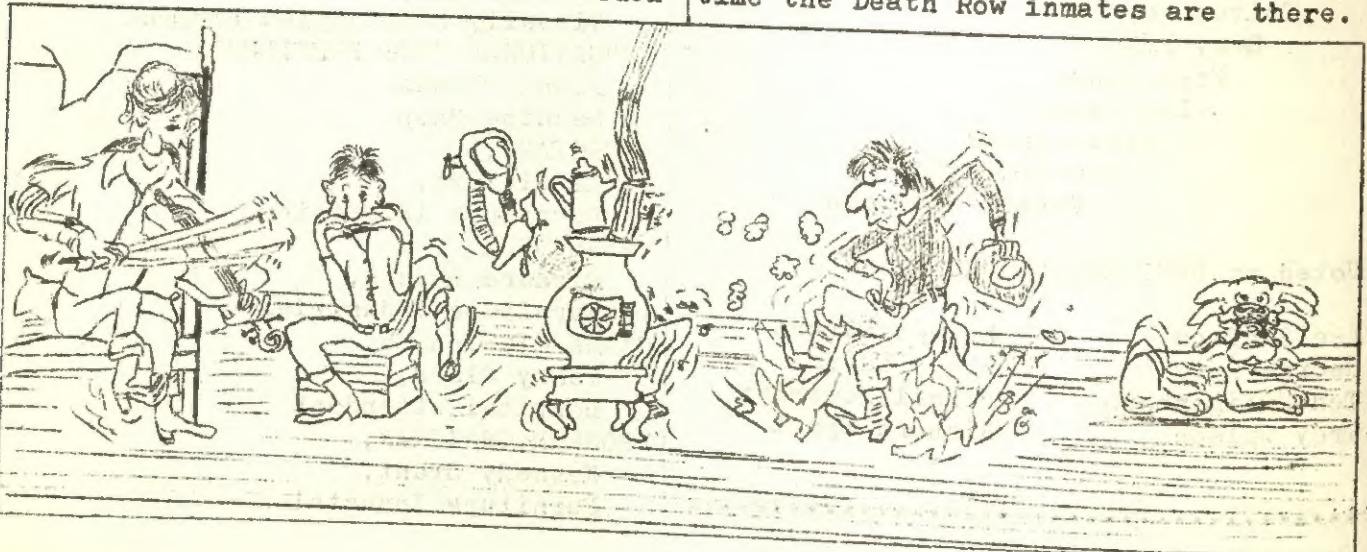
APPEARANCE  
INTRODUCTION  
VOICE PITCH  
GRAMMAR  
ORIGINALITY OF MATERIAL  
USE OF GESTURES  
AUDIENCE INTEREST  
ORGANIZATION OF SPEECH  
WORD PICTURES PORTRAYED  
ENTHUSIASM PROJECTED  
SINCERITY  
SPEECH VALUE TO AUDIENCE  
CONCLUSION  
PURPOSE ACHIEVED

The club officers report that by  
using this method, with the results  
publicly announced, each meeting be-  
comes a workshop and excellent train-  
ing ground for both novice and ex-  
perienced speakers.

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DEATH ROW INMATES ALLOWED GYM PERIOD

For the first time in history, men  
housed on Death Row were permitted to  
go to the Gymnasium for a recreation  
period, under a new policy inaugurated  
this Spring.

The two men presently housed on  
Death Row were escorted to the Gym by  
Lt. John Reynolds, and allowed the  
exclusive use of the facilities of the  
Recreation Department, under super-  
vision of Recreation Officer Willy A.  
Diddens. Other inmates are not per-  
mitted to enter the Gym during the  
time the Death Row inmates are there.





ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS CHAPTER CHANGESEXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP

Under the local sponsorship of Mr. Warren Thomas, Superintendent of the USP Sign Shop, the Golden Key Chapter of the A. A. organization announced the results of recent elections:

VICE CHAIRMAN,

Robert "Stick" Wiggins,  
Clerk, Industries Office  
(Recently transferred to Captain's Office)

SECRETARY,

Jerry Lindsay,  
Deputy Warden's Clerk

TREASURER,

William Snelson  
Shift Leader, Culinary

STEERING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN,

John Hatcher,  
Boiler Room Fireman

PARLIAMENTARIAN,

Ed Poole,  
Clerk, Men's Dormitory

STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERS,

Troy Wilson,  
Furniture Industries  
Richard Hansen,  
Furniture Industries  
Woody Himelright,  
Chief Clerk, Industries Office  
Ernie Baca,  
South Park Academy  
Ray Pierce,  
Laundry-Dry Cleaning Plant

CIVILIANS SUPPORT INMATE CHAPEL

Donald Spencer, Catholic Chaplain's Clerk, reports that religious papers, magazines, rosaries, and other items are always available at the Chaplain's Office, thanks to the many interested persons and organizations from around the country who mail these articles to the Catholic Chaplain's office for distribution to the men.

Spencer requests the Pointer News to publicly thank these people for their kindness in providing religious items and publications for the Point.

CON PARLAYS STINT ON ISOLATION

Steve Ireland, 19, Salt Lake City, serving 1 to 20 years for burglary, was taken before City Judge J. Patton Neeley on June 8, to be arraigned on assault charges resulting from an altercation on Sunday, June 5, in which Lt. Richard Barnhart was knocked unconscious and suffered a head injury.

Ireland, at the time of the fight with Lt. Barnhart, was serving a sentence of 29 days Isolation on a charge of insubordination.

ALL-STARS BEST M.I.A. TEAM IN"CLOSE" INTRAMURAL CONTEST

In a tight, closely-fought contest, the All-Stars were able to overcome the M.I.A. Softball Team by a "close" score of 36 to 4.

The All-Stars went ahead in the first inning 22 to 0, but the M.I.A. team fought back and were able to score four runs during the game (to avoid a shut-out).

Six teams are presently competing in intramural softball:

TEAM:MANAGER:

M. I. A.	Dean Stegan
OLD MEN'S TEAM	Harry Brewer
DUKES	Richard Bankhead
MUFFDIVERS	James Moore
ALL-STARS	Jones & Belgard
BUMS	Robert Young

The Pointer News will carry team rosters, standings, batting averages, trophy winners, and other softball and sports coverage in the next issue.

MUTUAL IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION CHARTSEXPANDED PROGRAM

New officers were sustained by the Point branch of the M. I. A. during the last week in April.

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## MUTUAL IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION...

Officers of the organization were announced as:

SUPERINTENDENT,  
Dallas Green,  
Maintenance Division  
FIRST COUNSELLOR,  
Virgil McDorman,  
LDS Chaplain's Clerk  
SECOND COUNSELLOR,  
James Wilkinson,  
Boiler Room Fireman  
SECRETARY,  
Richard Wyatt,  
Culinary Clerk  
TREASURER,  
Robert Pine,  
USP Cannery  
ACTIVITY DIRECTOR,  
John Kemp,  
Clerk, Inmate Services Coordinator  
SPORTS DIRECTOR,  
Dean Stegan,  
Maintenance Division  
SERGEANT-AT-ARMS,  
Tom Williams  
Carpenter Shop  
Calton Royall,  
South Park Academy  
SPONSORS,  
Chaplain Alan Baird  
Mr. Ralph Clarke,  
Electrical Foreman  
Mr. Robert Simons,  
Industries Foreman

The M. I. A. figured prominently in the successful Easter Sunday services, which was open to the family members of all inmates.

LDS Chaplain Alan Baird coordinated the non-denominational services, which featured a very impressive program:

OPENING SONG,  
Led by Joseph Atkinson  
OPENING PRAYER,  
Gary Gardiner  
OPENING ADDRESS,  
Protestant Chaplain John Brooke  
SCRIPTURE READING,  
Kennedy Grant  
EASTER CANTATA,  
Timpanogas Stake Choir

CLOSING REMARKS,  
LDS Chaplain Alan Baird  
CLOSING PRAYER,  
Oliver Jenkins

Ushers for the services were Stan Harding, Glenn Burris, Bob Wicklund, and Irving Hutchinson.

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RADIO DISC JOCKEY AROUSES WRATH OFPRISON ADMINISTRATION

Will Lucas, the controversial disc jockey and radio commentator on radio station KALL, was the guest of the Ambassadors Toastmasters Club during the last week in April.

Mr. Lucas was accompanied by two fellow disc jockeys, Mr. Richard Long and Mr. Reed Howe.

The program for the evening consisted of a simulated radio broadcast, with club members functioning in various news media roles:

Kennedy Grant, Announcer  
Joe Atkinson, Commercials  
Robert Pine, Interview with  
Ted Zweigenbaum  
George Ware, Sports Announcer  
Quay Kilburn, Human Interest Editor  
Virgil McDorman, Commentator  
Fred Omura, Assistant Director  
Irvin Davis, Grammarian  
Robert Pine, Moderator

Following the scheduled program, a lively question and answer session was held. Many of the men in attendance aired personal grievances, most of which were subsequently broadcast over the Will Lucas Show on the local radio station, KALL.

Warden Turner was informed of the commentary, which was felt to be quite slanted, and highly critical of the administration.

The result was an immediate ban of KALL radio personnel from future guest appearances at the meetings of the organized groups at the Point.

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# MINIMUM SECURITY REPORT...

---LLOYD HART

A new Inmate Advisory Council was formed at the Farm, composed of the following men:

Ben Gomez, Chairman  
Lloyd Hart, Vice Chairman  
Dee Archibald, Member  
Russ Pierce, Member  
Monty Standly, Member  
Robert McKinnis, Secretary  
Ben Medina, Alternate  
Robert Dahlberg, Alternate

The new Council took office during March, with Warden Turner acting as Chairman until new Council officers were elected.

The Warden congratulated the outgoing Council members for the good work they had done during their terms in office, and congratulated the new council members on their election, and wished them well during their tenure in office.

Committees formed were:

RECREATION COMMITTEE,  
Monty Standly, Chairman  
LeRoy Estes, Member

DORMITORY COMMITTEE,  
Lloyd Hart, Chairman  
Richard Archuletta, Member  
Robert Benavides, Member  
Floyd Unsell, Member

FOOD COMMITTEE,  
Russ Pierce, Chairman  
Ben Gomez, Member

LeRoy Estes was appointed as Chief

Umpire, and continues in the capacity of Athletic Equipment Manager.

We are in the process of building a boxing ring outside, and hope to have some civilian boxing competition when the ring is completed.

The other boxing equipment has arrived, and the interested boxers are using it to good advantage. We are now awaiting the arrival of ring rope and turnbuckles to complete the ring.

Officer Fagan has promised to bring in a boxing team as soon as we are ready, and if I remember Mr. Fagan's reputation in this field, we will have some fine boxing matches.

LeRoy Estes, our heavyweight, has been in constant training for the past several weeks, and should be in pretty good shape right now. George Ware, a recent addition to the Farm, should serve us well with his considerable boxing experience. He is better known to his admirers, inside and outside, as Dick Milo Savage, and his many boxing matches are well remembered.

In the reclining athletic department, we have a new dart game for such stalwarts as Jeff Prater, John "Bearcat" Thompson, Terry Hansen, Howard Bennett, Ray Jensen, and Veral Coleman.

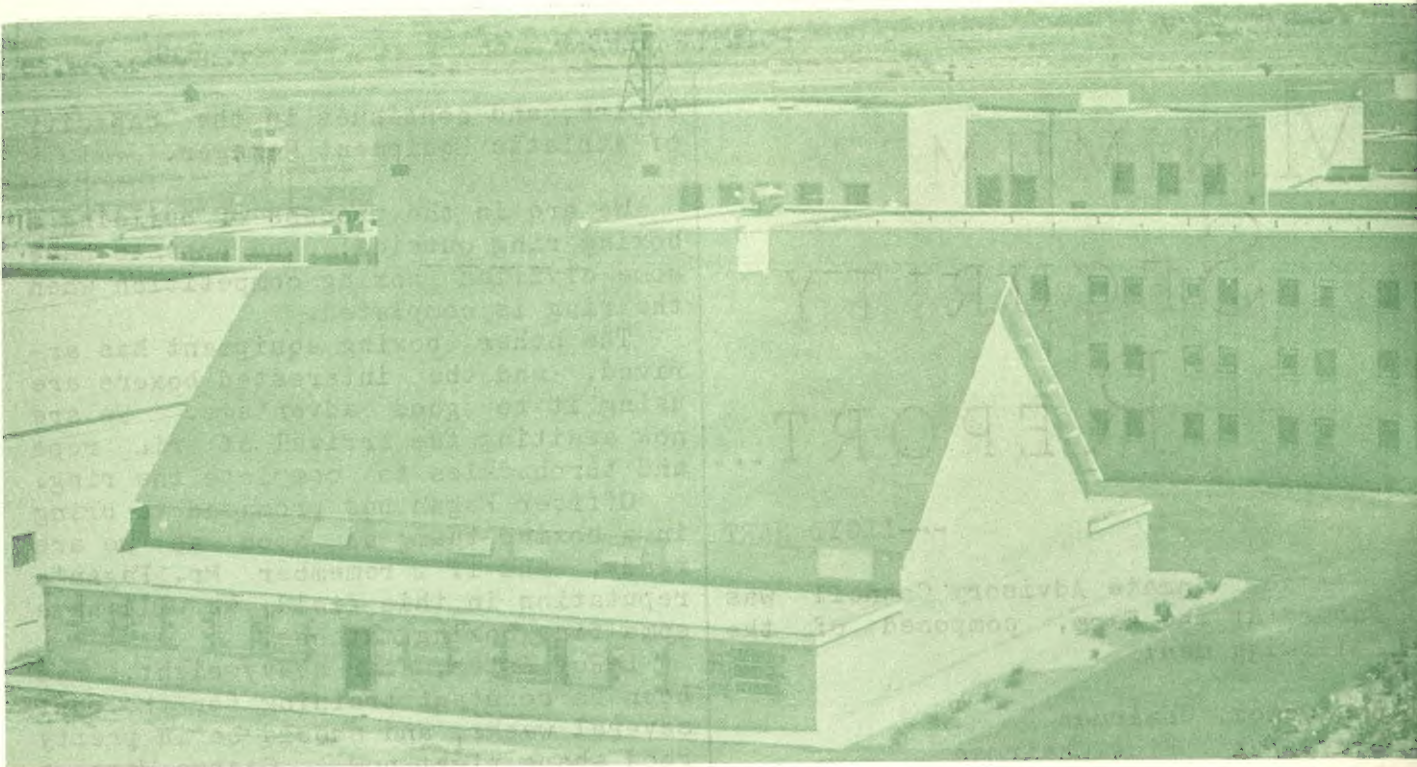
The MSF Softball Team has been practicing with the intramural teams for the past few weeks, and are ready to take on all comers.

Ben Medina is the Team Manager this year, with Willie Folkes chosen as the Team Captain. The main string team is made up of:

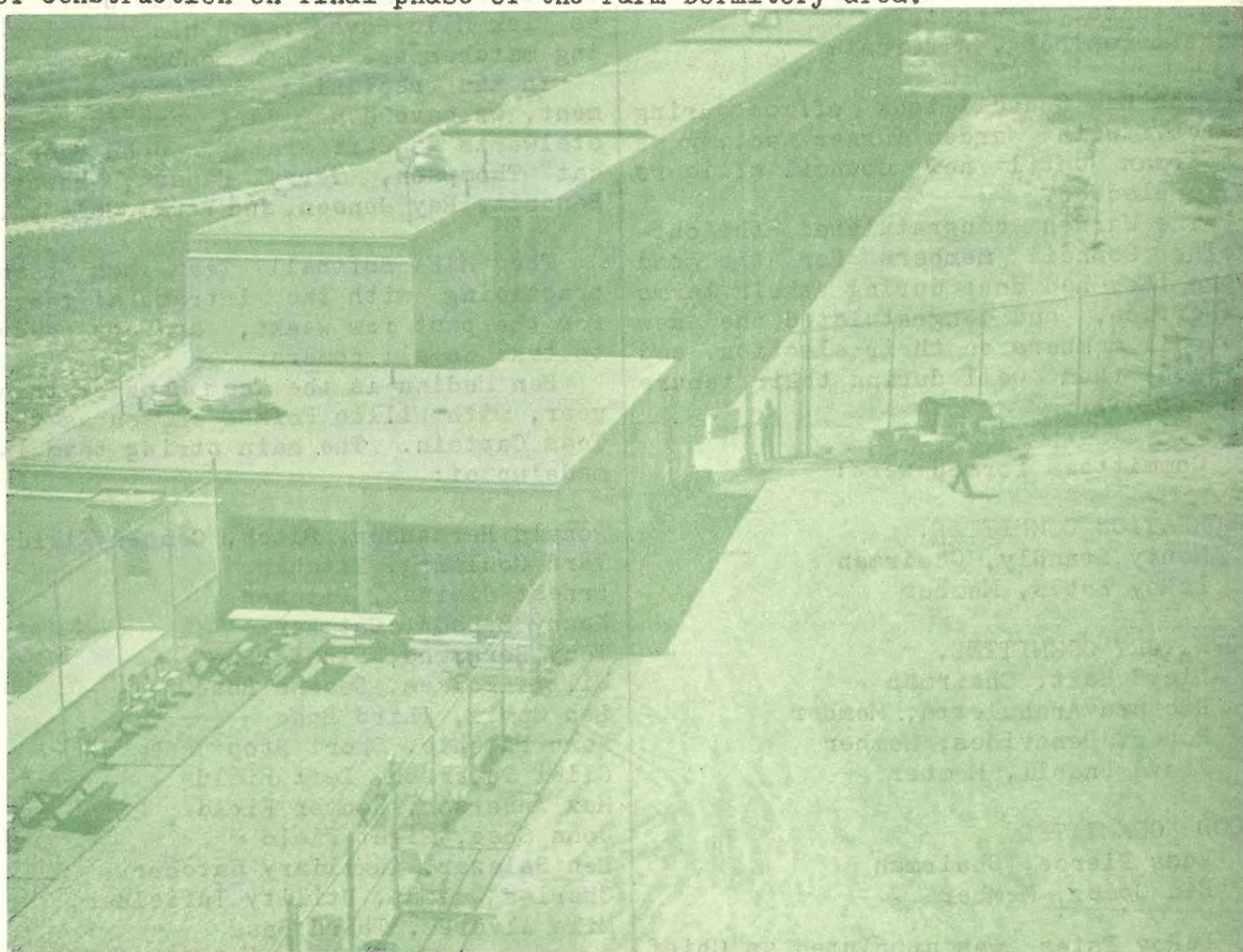
Ronald Hermanson, Pitch, Center Field  
Vard Goulding, Pitcher  
Ernest Jiminez, Pitcher  
Kenny Benson, Catcher  
Tony Borgogno, First Base  
Willie Folkes, Second Base  
Ben Gomez, Third Base  
Kern Dutchie, Short Stop  
Clint Peterson, Left Field  
Max Anderson, Center Field  
John Sosa, Right Field  
Ben Salazar, Auxiliary Catcher  
Charles Quecut, Utility Infielder  
Mike Alvarez, Third Base

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ABOVE: View of inmate Chapel-By-The-Wayside, as seen from Tower Five. In the right background is seen D-Cellhouse, the Honor Block. Rose garden at right. BOTTOM: View of visiting area at Minimum Security Facility, prior to start of construction on final phase of the Farm Dormitory area.





The ball-players are a well-rounded team, with lots of hitting power. We should win lots of games this year with this line-up.

Last year's team is remembered well for taking on the Salt Lake Shamrocks and beating the pants off of them; then they took on the Murray Specials and beat the pants off of them; then they took on the Salt Lake Bloomer Girls, and just luckily it rained that night.

Arbor Day at the Farm was considerably improved over a year ago. Willy Diddens, the Recreation Officer, was in attendance the entire morning, and very capably aided in supervising the athletic events.

The morning started with a five-inning softball game, which no one knows who won, and no one seems to care. They were waiting for the races, and the prizes that went with them.

Bill Peck, of the Slaughterhouse gang, started things off by winning the Hundred Yard Dash, leading Walter Washington to the tape by a scant yard, and Billie Roberts placing Third by another yard.

After much meeting of kissers with the ground, Stan Harding and Eric Jensen rolled across the finish line as winners of the Wheelbarrow Race.

Ben Gomez and Junior Martinez won Second Place prize money, and Ernie Alires and Ben Medina took Third Place.

When Ben and Ernie found out there were prizes only for First and Second Place, the language heard would curl your hair.

The Spoon And Egg Race started very well, but after the first fifteen yards, eggs were spattering all over, all except Ben Medina, Don Andrews, and Billie Roberts, who finished One, Two, and Three, in that order.

Ben was so far out in front at the finish that he could have started over and still won.

The Fifty Yard Dash was dominated by Willie Folkes and William Peck, who led Washington to the tape by a scant six inches. A very close race, with Willie Folkes coming up with the loot for First Place.

Next came the Senior Adults Race, with Lloyd Hart romping across the



"I'd know! That's who'd know!"

line ahead of One-Shoe Ed Wilson and Paul Stewart. Adolph Garcia and Toby Martinez were still running at the last report.

John Sosa and Morris Maxwell tipped, slipped, tripped and skidded across the finish line to take First Place in the Three-Legged Race. Ben Gomez and Junior Martinez took Second.

Walt Washington threw the softball so far in the Distance Throw that the dairy outsider is still looking for the ball. John Sosa and Bob Vasquez took Second and Third Place.

Willie Folkes showed his heels to the pack as he romped off with the Two Twenty Dash. Richard Archuletta and Bill Roberts came in at number Two and Three positions.

This was a race highlighted by LeRoy Estes, who is now down to 235, taking off like a Sherman tank, and winding up like a landing barge. He complained that the course was too short, and that he would have won it if the course had been longer so that wind would have been the deciding factor.

All in all, it was a fine morning, with Willie Diddens, Athletic Officer, calling all First Place finishes; Dee Archibald calling all Seconds, and Lloyd Hart calling the Third Place finishes. Russ Pierce was the starter in all events, and did a fine job.

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### POINTERITE SUES WIFE FOR SUPPORT

Tony Borgogno, presently a resident of the Farm, was recently a plaintiff in a divorce action from his wife, and was granted thirty dollars a month for support for the period he is incarcerated at the Point.

Borgogno, pronounced Bor-gone-o, not Bor-gong-gong, as his friends teasingly call him, charged his wife with mental cruelty, and asked for thirty dollars a month support allowance until he is in a position to earn a living.

His attorney in the case was Virgil Wood, local barrister from A-Block.

Needless to say, the news of Tony's success in court caused several Point residents to consider their own marital status. Many of them wanted to beat their respective spouses to the punch, and file suit for divorce BEFORE they received the Dear John notice, and before the better half could ask for alimony or support.

Tony claims he's only helping the gentler sex in their quest for equal rights. They now have the right to be on the PAYEE side of a divorce action.

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### W H E R E ?

Sherman Ellis, the big gun in the "Aid-To-Visually-Handicapped program," was explaining his release plans to Cliff Worthen, the machinist...

"When I leave this here nuthouse," Sherm told him, "I'm pullin' a reverse Grapes of Wrath---I'm hookin' 'em dead to Tulsur."

"Tulsur?"

"Yeah, Man. Tulsur! It's the best city in Oklahomr, and..."

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### OPTIMIST...

A con who gives all his furniture and things away the day he goes to the Parole Board.

### PESSIMIST...

A con who checks his furniture and personal things with a long-termers when he goes out on parole.



"Of course it doesn't taste like your mother's delicious blueberry pie. It's strawberry shortcake!"

### "MY DAD CAN LICK YOUR DAD..."

Dave Westmoreland and Tommy Danks were arguing over who lived in the roughest neighborhood when they were kids.

Dave told him, "When we played Cow-boys and Indians, we used real bows and arrows!"

"Oh, Yeah!" Terrible Tom answered, "Well when we played Cops and Robbers we used real cops!"

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### ONE ACT PLAY...

Wayne Pearson: "Naw, I don't want to be interviewed...you say you're going to print it...and everybody will read about..."

"Two-thousand circulation."

"The Warden will read it, too...and the Parole Board?"

"Sure."

"I'm glad you asked me for an interview. Boy, have I got some good ideas. First, I...sit down, this will take a little time..."

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DEAR JOHN LETTER: A letter to Tom, Dick, or Harry telling them that they are not dear any longer.



GRADUATION EXERCISES HELD AT LOCALSOUTH PARK ACADEMY

Over 150 people participated in the commencement exercises held in the Auditorium on Friday evening, June 3.

Among the guests were family members of the students; Ernest Wright, Executive Director, Utah State Board of Corrections; Lloyd Shurtleff, Inmate Services Coordinator; Mr. Don Madsen, former Coordinator of the Vocational and Technical Education Division of the Utah State Department of Public Instruction.

Invocation was offered by Prison Chaplain Alan Baird.

A welcoming address was delivered by Warden John W. Turner.

The Superintendent of the Jordan School District, Mr. Reid Beckstead, was the opening guest speaker.

Gene Zollman was privileged to be selected as the inside speaker.

Mr. Mark Nichols, Director of Vocational and Technical Education for Utah, was the featured guest speaker.

Mr. Nichols congratulated Zollman for his poise and platform manner, and also paid tribute to the Prison Band for the postlude musical selections they played.

Members of the band were:

Gilbert Arenaz, Tenor Sax  
George Weathers, Alto Sax  
John Kemp, Alto Sax  
Ken Grant, First Trumpet  
Max Johnson, Bass  
Jack McKelly, Drums  
Warner Bowne, Third Trumpet  
Ed DeLyle, Fourth Trumpet  
Lee Stone, Second Trumpet  
Mr. Al Morris, Baritone Sax

The band was under the direction of Mr. Alfred Morris, South Jordan School District Music Instructor.

Foster Rappleye, Education Department Supervisor, presented the graduating students.

Mr. Bernarr S. Furse, of the Jordan District Board of Education, presented diplomas to the graduates.

Vocational training certificates were presented by Mr. Wilson Sorenson,

President of the Provo branch of Utah Trade Technical Institute.

Benediction was given by Wilbur I. Nelson, Religious Study Instructor.

Receiving diplomas as high school graduates were:

Lynn Adams	Charles Turner
Mabel Goulding	Wayne Eastman
Gene King	Frank Gentry
George Weathers	Henry Lobato
Gene Zollman	

Eighth Grade Achievement certificates were presented to:

Budd Dutton	Frank Riggins
Frank Purkeypille	Harry Brewer
Calton Royall	James McGhee
James Cheshire	Gerald Study
Avenicio Baca	

Vocational Training certificates were awarded to:

COOKS AND BAKERS SCHOOL

Frank Lucero  
Leo Olsen  
Jimmy Riojas

LAUNDRY AND DRY CLEANING

Daniel Gonzalez  
Randy Mitchell

DRAFTING

Dewey Cowles  
Gary Horning  
Drexell Spradling  
Ossie Beard  
Roy Davis  
Harold Lee  
George Weathers  
Lorenzo Bell  
Wayne Eastman  
Ivan Martinez  
Arden Tuttle

WELDING

Robert Perez  
Benny Salazar  
Edwin Barber  
Marvin Cowan  
Max Kuehnert



## GRADUATION EXERCISES... (Continued)

Awarded certificates for ELECTRICAL TRADES training were:

John Nance  
Lynn Adams  
Larry Bacon  
Joseph Wheelhouse  
Leon Dyer

Tribute was paid to the teachers in the varied academic program of the South Park Academy. The instructors honored were:

Benjamin Bruse,  
Coordinator, Jordan School District  
Howard Evans, Social Studies  
Vere Densley, Typing  
Jack Jorgensen, Science, Mathematics  
Ramon Meik, Art  
Alfred Morris, Music  
Roger Honeyman, Chairman,  
Off-Campus Courses,  
Utah Trade Technical Institute,  
Provo, Division  
Paul D. Faddis, Drafting  
John Maas, Landscaping  
Bert Morgan, Welding  
Al Parks, Electrical Trades  
Herb Middleton, Laundry & Dry Cleaning  
Al M. Richardson, Cooking

Following the formal graduation program, refreshments were served in the Foyer of the Auditorium, to conclude the commencement exercises.

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## GROUP COUNSELLING REVIEWED...

Dr. Donald R. Thurston, Director of Treatment at the Michigan Reformatory, has this to say concerning the group counselling program:

"Group counselling does different things for different people. Over the years, many fellows have told me that this seems to help relieve some of the tension that builds up in them.

Others say that they find it relaxing. Some have said that it is the one time in the week when they can sort of getaway from the institution,



"You keep out of this!"

and just be themselves. Some find it an opportunity to compare their ideas with those of other persons.

There are others who like to have an opportunity to find out what some of the outside people think, and have the chance to look at things from an outsider's point of view.

There are some people who decide that the program has no meaning for them, and are there merely because they feel it will look good to the Parole Board. Even in cases of this type, most people seemed to eventually get caught up into the spirit of the group, and start taking part.

Research has shown that there is a subtle effect of belonging to a group counselling class---that of being a part of something, and of being able to identify with a group, and identify with a group leader.

The result is a gradual awareness of life around him, and he comes to a point where he looks for logical and practical solutions to his problems rather than basing his actions on his emotions.

Whatever the reason that the individual might be in a group, there seems to be enough ways that it can benefit anyone---inside or out of an institution---to make it worthwhile."

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# NO MAN'S LAND...

Hello again from No Man's Land.

Mrs. Beeley, from Craft House, has returned to the Women's Dorm, bringing once again some beautiful and creative ideas for the girls. Mrs. Beeley is familiar to some of us, but for others she is a newcomer. We are pleased to have her back with us.

Our new addition to the Women's section is now completed. It's a very welcome sight. We have a new visiting area, sewing and class rooms, and to enhance the interior of our building, we received some new furniture, which adds a great deal.

On May 8, we had the pleasure of hearing the choir from the Institute of Religion, of the University of Utah.

Our guest speaker for the special Mother's Day services was the 1964 Mother-of-the-Year. We were honored to have her as our guest.

Hat's off to the Recreation Officer for the sports equipment he has provided us with, and the record albums, which we really enjoy. So, thanks again, Mr. Diddens.

Our Chief Matron took a short vacation not long ago. She traveled to Oregon to visit her parents. Upon her return, she said everything was normal at home---the grass was real tall, the hedges needed trimming, and a lot of excuses from her husband, Al. We've heard rumors that the next time she goes on a vacation she is going to East Siberia, and she's taking Al with her. So my advice to Mr. Richardson is to get those lawns mowed, hedges trimmed, and LEAVE THOSE DOUGHNUTS ALONE!

We have a new president of the Hi-Lighters' Toastmistress Club. Nita Snelson has taken over the gavel, replacing our past president, who has returned to the free world.

Awards were given to the year's best speakers; Nita Snelson, First; Elma Mitchell, Second; and Third Place

to Della. We wish to thank our Sponsor, Mrs. Anderson, for her support.

As everyone knows, reporters are snoops---and I'm no exception to the rule. So here goes with a bit of gossip from the Women's Dorm reporter:

We have a woman here who really believes in wishes...Her wish came true. For weeks, she's wished she could have her biggest desire---to raise flowers. Wham! Her wish came true, and she's our new Yard Girl. And, Millie, the yard looks real nice.

During the showing of the movie, Sodom and Gomorrah, I heard Georgetta Pryor ask another girl if there had ever been a book written with that title.

"Yes," was the reply, "the Bible."

Keep pitching, Georgetta, you learn something new everyday.

The other day, we were discussing King Richard, and Pauline Hill shouted Richard. What's-his-last-name? Relax, Pauline, we weren't talking about your husband.

Electra Harris made the statement that she may never like fireplaces again. We wonder why?

With ten vacancy signs on our doors, we have recently welcomed two new guests aboard, and wish them happy swimming. Our new arrivals are Sandra Wilson and Linda Burkhart.

Our seamstress, Nita Snelson, had the privilege of making the drapes for the Officer's Mess, and she did a very beautiful job, but like June Barnum's hair, they were cut too short.

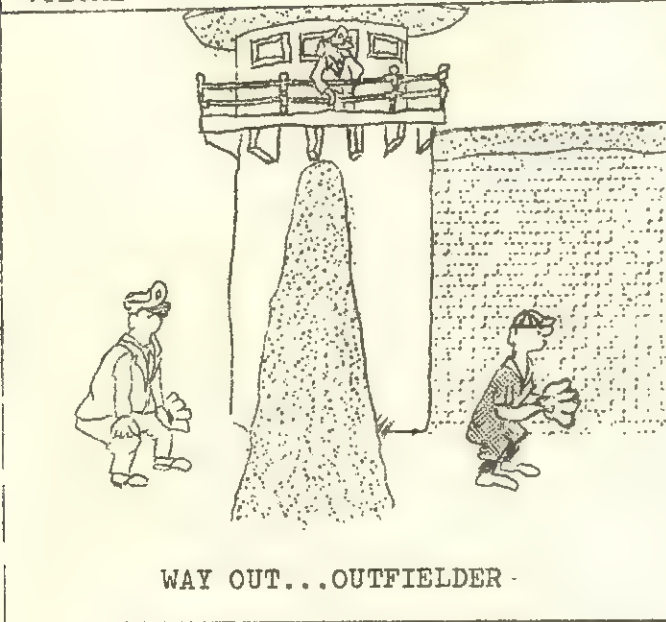
The work at American Fork is going as usual; however, we have a new crew with the exception of Yours Truly, who has outlasted them all. So, who said I wanted to be a pioneer.

See you next issue.

---Elma Mitchell Gatsos

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WEDDING RING: The smallest handcuff in the world.





### TEAM ROSTER... (Continued)

Mike Bishop, First Base  
 Harry Brewer, Left Field  
 Louis Martinez, Center Field  
 Ray Salazar, Left Field  
 Dannie Carlsen, Catcher, Center Field  
 Rudy Dominguez, Pitcher

Joe Park and Jesse McLain alternate in the thankless task of Base Umpire, and at umpiring duties at home plate.

Former umpire Moose Norgard gave up his umpiring duties, and is fired up to enter the rodeo arena as a clown, for the third season.

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### NEW INMATE COUNCIL OFFICERS TAKE HELM

General elections were held during April for Inmate Council representatives from all major living quarters. Elected at that time, or at subsequent elections were:

#### A-BLOCK:

George Sterling, Delegate  
 Charles Stinnett, Delegate  
 Max Reay, Alternate

#### B-BLOCK:

Jimmy Riojas, Delegate  
 Dayton Belgard, Delegate  
 Ray Turnbow, Alternate

#### D-BLOCK:

Neil Collins, Delegate  
 Wayne Johnston, Delegate  
 David Dodge, Alternate

#### MEN'S DORMITORY:

Gary Osborn, Delegate  
 Robert Wicklund, Delegate  
 John Markham, Alternate

Following the transfer to A-Block of the former Inmate Council Chairman, Billy Scott, the Vice Chairman, George Sterling, assumed the chairmanship of the Inmate Council.

In a special election meeting held during the first week in June, the new

### POINTERS CHALK UP HEAVY WIN RECORD

The Pointers Softball Team has entered the second month of the season with a remarkable won-lost record of 12-1-1. To add to the delight of the Team Manager, Virgil Wood, the prospects are very good that the team will continue with their winning ways, as the team is becoming stronger on both offense and defense.

Jim Wilkerson, the strong young Tahitian boy, is getting more and more control, and has developed into an ace pitcher.

Team Manager Wood can draw on two good back-up pitchers; Rudy Dominguez and Stan Tavenner.

The Pointers proved themselves in a game with a tough Hercules Powder Company team during the last part of May. The Hercules team looked like linebackers for the Green Bay Packers, and had the power to go with their size.

Rocky Belgard helped the Pointers win, with a clean home-run, and Dannie Carlsen assisted with three-for-three hits at the plate, plus his rifle-arm on defense behind the catcher's mask.

The team members are listed on the roster as:

Jim Wilkerson, Pitcher  
 Max Jones, Short Stop  
 Ronald Cable, Outfielder  
 Stan Tavenner, Pitcher, Second Base  
 Dayton Belgard, Third Base  
 Ernie Shaffer, Catcher, Outfielder





"Payment? When may your law firm expect payment? Brother, this is the moment I've been waiting for."

Chairman was given a unanimous vote of confidence by Council members. Warden Turner presided over the election of a new Vice Chairman. Following a secret ballot, Wayne Johnston was elected to the post of Vice Chairman.

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#### BOILER ROOM CHANGE OVER COMPLETED

The Boiler Room was reminiscent of a stirred-up ant hill recently, as finishing touches were applied to the remodeling of the offices of the Boiler Room, painting of the Boiler Room in sparkling white and green, and conversion of a coal boiler to natural gas, with the other boiler to be converted later.

Examinations were held this Spring, and five men were licensed as First Class Firemen. The licenses were issued by Salt Lake City Corporation, and authorizes the licensee to operate boilers of any size in coal, oil, or natural gas classifications.

The men passing the examinations were: James Beck, Charles O'Connor,

Theodore Smith, James Hartness, and Lowell Whitaker.

The complement of the Boiler Room numbers approximately ten men. In addition to holding down an eight-hour shift, the trainee puts in from two to four hours of informal study each day. This extra study, plus realistic on-the-job training has enabled the men to qualify for their license in less time than is usual for a trainee in the civilian world.

Mr. Jim E. Edwards, the Engineer-In-Charge, states that "boiler operation is an excellent trade for the man who, through lack of specialization, has become a 'Jack-of-all-trades.' A working knowledge of several mechanical trades is very desirable in a fireman, and must be acquired, particularly if he is to upgrade himself to the engineer class.

In determining which inmates shall be trained in boiler operation, three factors are given closest attention: The man's mechanical aptitude, his educational background, and his mental attitude. It would be very unrealistic to attempt to train a man who can't open a sardine can without spraining his wrist. If he cannot read, write, and do mathematical problems at the high school level, he cannot hope to pass the examination for his license. It would not make very much sense to try to make a fireman out of a man that doesn't really want to be a fireman in the first place.

The trainees are fortunate in having two supervisors in charge of their training, both of whom have a wealth of experience in several facets of the trade.

Men taking the training may draw on a combined total of forty-eight years of experience in boiler operations.

The Engineer-In-Charge, Mr. James Edwards, is a former locomotive engineer, with over twenty years of railroading to his credit, and is finishing up his twelfth year in the steam plant here at the Point.

Mr. Clair H. McCulloch, the second in command, is an ex-Navy man, who recently retired as Chief Boilerman,

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after twenty years service.

Mr. Edwards and Mr. McCulloch deserve high praise for sending men out of here in better shape than when they came in. The Boiler Room crew also deserve a journalistic pat on the back for their efforts in their own self-betterment and rehabilitation.

---Robert Pullar

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HUSBAND: "Whew! I took an aptitude test this afternoon. Thank goodness I own the company."

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#### 1964 "MOTHER OF YEAR" HONORS POINT IN ROLE OF GUEST SPEAKER ON MOTHER'S DAY

The 1964 Mother-of-the-Year, Mrs. Lurena Warnick, was the featured guest speaker at the non-denominational services held at the Point on Mother's Day. The family members of inmates were permitted to attend these special church services.

Prelude music was furnished by Jim Cheshire, who donates his talent and abilities to four separate religious denominations.

Other features of the program were:

GREETING TO ASSEMBLY,

Protestant Chaplain John Brooke  
OPENING SONG,

Led by Choir Leader Joe Atkinson  
OPENING PRAYER,

Gary Gardiner  
OPENING ADDRESS,

Mrs. Beverly White,  
Member, Board of Corrections

MALE CHORUS,

I Cantori Group  
GUEST SPEAKER,

Mrs. Colleen Jenks  
INSIDE SPEAKERS,

Irvin Davis  
Richard Straley

GUEST SPEAKER,  
Mrs. Janet Jenkins

KEYNOTE SPEAKER,

Mrs. Lurena Warnick

CLOSING REMARKS,

LDS Chaplain Alan Baird

CLOSING PRAYER,

Eugene Byron

Ushers for these special services were Glenn Burris, Irving Hutchinson, and Karl Hicks.

Corsages, which were made in the Women's Facility, were furnished by the Inmate Council, and given to the wives and mothers of the inmates.

Special choral and musical numbers were furnished by the I Cantori, and the Benoth Ahman Singers, of the Institute of Religion, of the University of Utah.

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#### NEW SHOW CASE CLERK NAMED

The former Show Case Clerk, Joseph Hoffman, was recently discharged from the prison on parole, following which the administration chose Neil Collins as the new Show Case Clerk, from among the candidates submitted by the Inmate Advisory Council.

Collins is a graduate of the Dale Carnegie Course, and a former member of the Pointers Softball Team. He is extremely sports-minded, and was the Chief Referee during the basketball season.

The position of Show Case Clerk involves considerable responsibility and trustworthiness, since he is meeting the public day-to-day, and selling handicraft items from the Show Case on a cash basis.

The Business Manager, Paul Cropper, states that Collins is performing his duties in a very commendable manner.

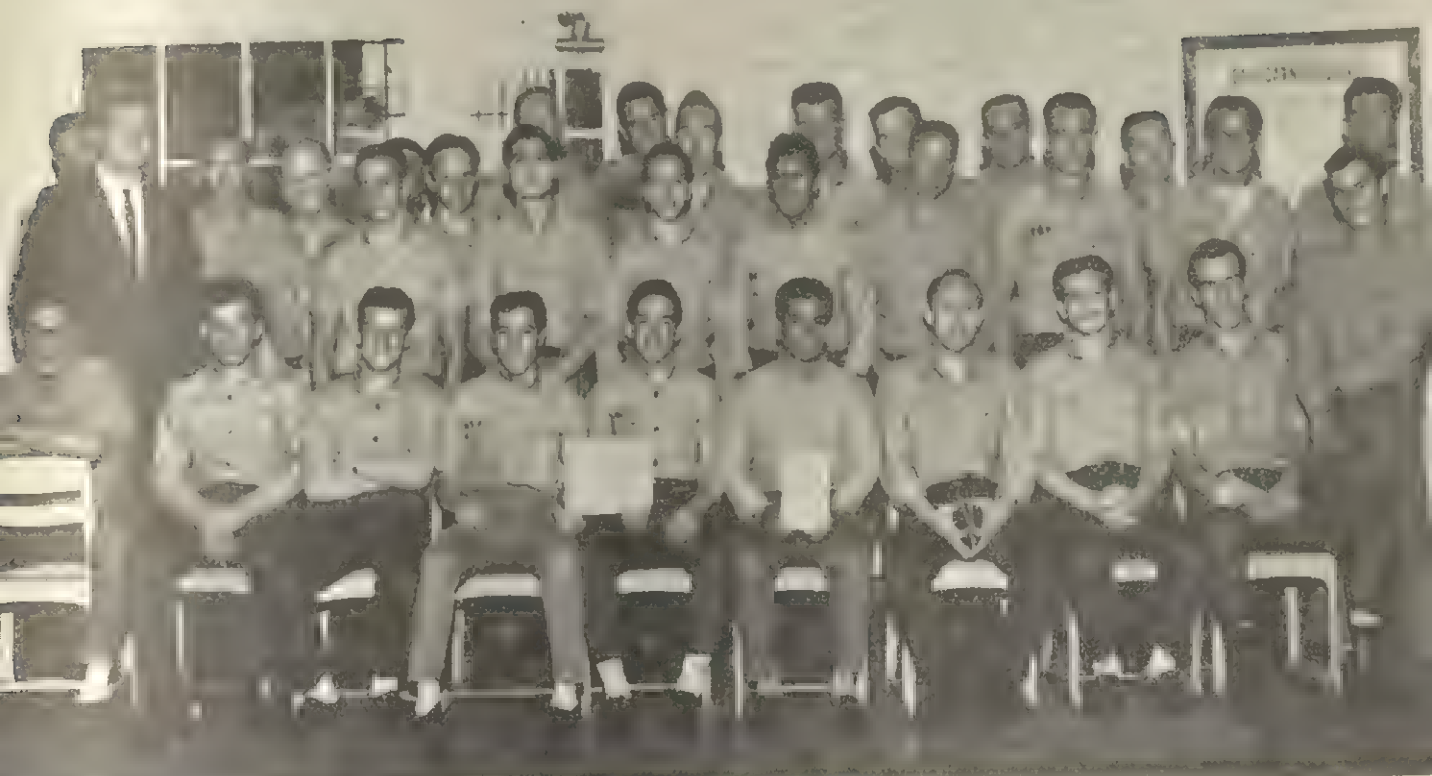
Collins also has the confidence of the men inside, who elected him as a Delegate to the Inmate Council.

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A guy we know in the Laundry says he has a quick solution whenever he encounters difficulty with other state officials. He claims he doesn't mess around---he goes right to the top---he sees the Governor's wife.



# WELCOME CARNEGIE CLASS 12



Carnegie Class happily responds to "Say cheese!" command of photographer.  
**STANDING;** from left to right: Bob Hamilton, Willie Diddens, Class Sponsor, Frank Thomas, Robert Buchanan, Jim Bradshaw, Norman Fechner (partially hidden) Richard Straley, Don Gonzalez, Joe Atkinson, Ken Spencer, Henry Lobato, Wayne Pearson, Chalo Alires, Kenneth Lee Baker, Leon Dyer, Kenneth Littlejohn, Richard Hansen, Steve Villiard, James McGhee, Patrick Smith, Brent Leavitt, Robert Wicklund.  
**SITTING:** Gilbert Arenaz, Ray Salazar, Stan Humes, Frank Lucero, Jimmy Riojas, Alex Ornelas, Frank Buckingham, Ken Baker, Thomas Williams.

## DALE CARNEGIE CLASS GRADUATES THIRTY

Class Twelve of the Dale Carnegie Course held graduation exercises on April 30, with 108 guests present.

The graduating class was started by the Associate Sponsor for Utah, Mr. Max E. Call.

Mr. Call, as "Boss" of the Carnegie organization in Utah, assigned seven different instructors to teach the various sessions. This innovation afforded a wide range of training for the members of the prison class, and was an opportunity that is not ordinarily available in a civilian class.

The instructors were:

Mr. Max E. Call, Salt Lake City  
 Mr. Robert Bluth, Provo  
 Mr. James Bond, Salt Lake City  
 Mr. Roy Broadbent, Payson  
 Mr. Dick Dixon, Salt Lake City  
 Mr. Mel Miller, Salt Lake City  
 Mr. Shirl Randall, Centerville  
 Mr. Jerry Rose, Snowville

Mr. Rose traveled 240 miles from his home in Snowville, near the Idaho border, in order to instruct the class at the Point.

Class Twelve was also fortunate in



having two civilian Graduate Assistants; Mr. Lee Case, Salt Lake City, and Mr. John Swenson, Springville.

Quay Kilburn, graduate of Salt Lake Class 57, and Draper Class Two, was the Graduate Assistant Coordinator.

Sheldon Jenkins, Bill Sisam, Pat Smith, and Steve Villiard were the Class Monitors.

The Graduate Assistants were Robert Hulse, Neil Collins, Ray Gallegos, and David Dodge.

Class members who weathered the dynamics of the Carnegie training in public speaking and applied human relations were:

Chalo Alires

Joseph Atkinson

Kenneth Baker

Ellis Berrett

James Bradshaw

Robert Buchanan

Frank Buckingham

Earl Dahle

Leon Dyer

Norman Fechner

Don Gonzalez

Robert Hamilton

Richard Hansen

Stan Humes

Brent Leavitt

Kenneth Littlejohn

Henry Lobato

Frank Lucero

James McGhee

Alex Ornelas

Jimmy Riojas

Ray Salazar

Kenneth Spencer

Richard Straley

Frank Thomas

Tom Williams

Roy Wilson

Mr. Willy A. Diddens, Recreation Officer, served as the Class Sponsor.

Special awards were presented to class members in these categories:

#### BEST SPEECH AWARDS

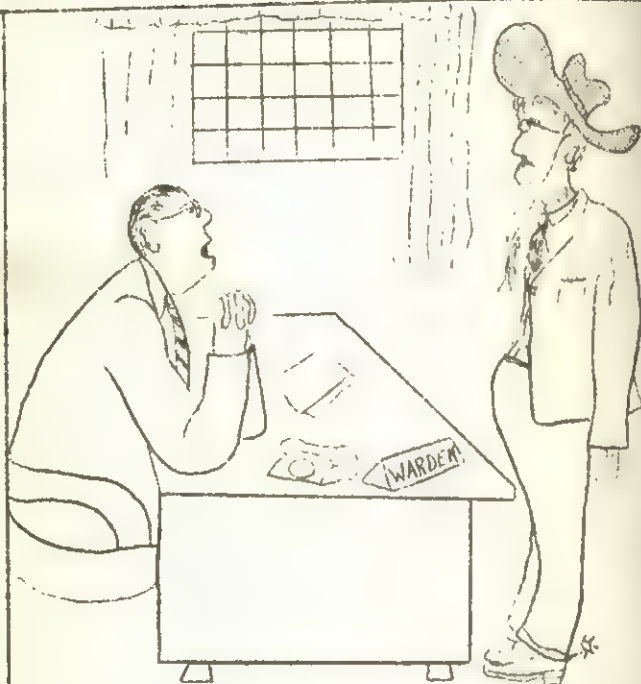
Virgil Wood

Norman Fechner

Alex Ornelas

Frank Lucero

Chalo Alires



"You've served your full term, Okie, and you're a free man---but I have bad news about your horse."

#### MOST IMPROVEMENT AWARDS

Frank Thomas

Thomas Williams

Jimmy Riojas

#### SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Brent Leavitt

Leon Dyer

Richard Straley

James Bradshaw

Robert Buchanan

Roy Wilson

#### HUMAN RELATIONS AWARDS

Frank Thomas

Richard Hansen

Richard Straley

#### BOOK AWARDS

James Bradshaw

Henry Lobato

Kenneth Baker

Don Gonzalez

Highlight of the graduation program was the awarding of championship awards



CARNEGIE GRADUATION... (Continued)

in the categories of:

PREPARED SPEECH CHAMPION

Kenneth Littlejohn

IMPROMPTU SPEECH CHAMPION

Norman Fechner

HIGHEST AWARD FOR ACHIEVEMENT

Alex Ornelas

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CON WELDERS TAKE ON ANY JOB

A recent trip to the fabricating section of Furniture Industries made this reporter wonder if he was still in prison. The interior of the plant resembles a civilian mill or factory, and the only way you know you're dealing with convicts is by the blue uniforms they wear.

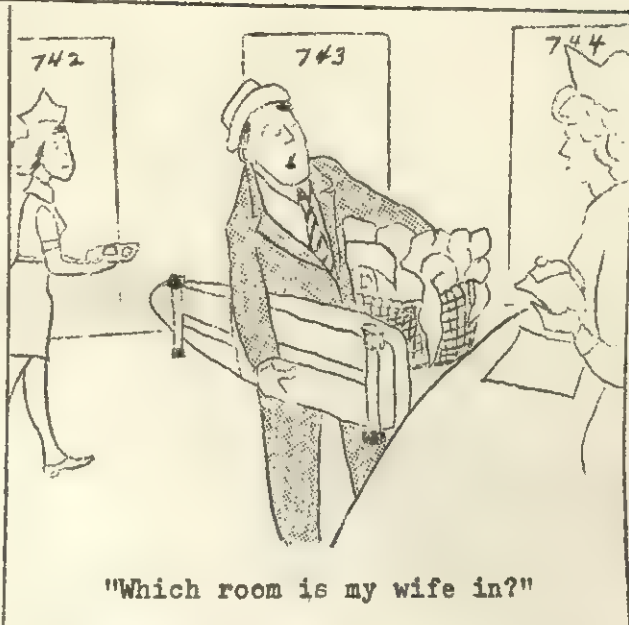
The workers in the welding section of the plant are able to turn out any combination of welds or structures. The unit is supervised by Mr. Robert H. Tuck, Salt Lake City.

Woody Himelright, the affable Chief Clerk in the Industries Office, and bridge and pinochle expert, lists the crew as Richard Hansen, Alvah James, Gilbert Garcia, Harvey Hathaway, Don Marquart, Garth Justet, Elwin Taylor, and Larry Willard.

The crew has met every production deadline, despite the complicated and varied nature of the sheet metal work and structured frames. The workers in this section could easily be assimilated into outside industrial plants on the merit of their welding ability and knowledge of sheet-metal work.

Civilians viewing this year's Felon Follies were awed at the obvious waste of musical talent. Industrialists and civilian plant supervisors are even more amazed at the waste of industrial earning capacity, represented by inmate craftsmen.

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PUBLIC DEFENDER MEETS PUBLIC OFFENDER

There they were---face to face... Virgil Wood, the Point's answer to Blackstone, and Jim Mitsunaga, the Director of the Public Defender organization, and well-known criminal lawyer.

In the recent past, Wood argued for his rights so vigorously in one courthouse that the judge found him guilty of contempt, and sentenced him to thirty days in the county bastille, to be served when he is released from the prison sentence at the Point.

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The mousy little man was scared of his boss. One day he told a fellow worker that he was sick.

"Why don't you go home?" asked his friend.

"Oh, I couldn't. The boss would fire me."

"Don't be silly. He'll never know. He's not even here today."

Finally, the frightened little man was convinced, and went home. When he got there, he looked in the window, and there was his boss making love to his wife. He ran all the way back to the office. "A fine friend you are!" he told his friend, "I nearly got caught!"

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SIMPLE PRESCRIPTION FOR LONG LIFE:

"Keep breathing."





**KNEELING:** Gene Byron, Dean Stegan.

**STANDING:** Steve Denos, Chief Social Worker, Robert Andersen; Neighborhood House Director, Phillis Southwick; Russell Peterson, Assistant Cannery Supervisor; Bay Smart, Cannery Supervisor; Lloyd Shurtleff, Inmate Services Coordinator.

#### INMATE LAUDS FELLOW CONVICTS

(The following letter is translated from a message received from Steve Denos, one of the senior citizens at the Point, age 74.)

Dear Editor,

"This photograph was taken at the Neighborhood House in Salt Lake City. It is a privately-owned, non-profit organization. They have there about 250 children, ranging in age from three to seven years. About fifteen of the children are from nine to thirteen years old. Most of the children are orphans. Some have only one parent living. Some of the children have working parents, who leave their children at the Neighborhood House during the day.

The people working there take very good care of the children, and give them the attention that they need and desire. They have a very clean and efficient establishment.

All of the officers and inmates at the Utah State Prison love children, especially the crew at the Prison Cannery. The Marines in the Salt Lake area love children, too. Therefore, before Christmas, they went from house to house collecting bicycles, sleds, tricycles, and toys that were broken, and for the most part discarded. They brought truckloads of these broken toys to the Prison, where the Cannery crew, headed by Dean Stegan, and his fellow workers repaired, rebuilt, and painted them until they looked like new. This work was done under the supervision of Cannery Supervisors Bay Smart and Russell Peterson.



Different business establishments throughout the community donated parts and paint to the Marines, and they in turn gave these supplies to the inmates for use in restoring the toys.

The toys were then given to orphans and children of families who could not afford to buy Christmas toys.

This was a winter project of the Cannery, undertaken during the off-season months when there is no food to be canned.

We had many toys that could not be repaired in time for Christmas, and these toys were repaired by Stegan and his assistants, and with the Warden's approval, were given to the Neighborhood House.

On May 10, Mr. Smart, Mr. Peterson, Mr. Andersen, the Chief Social Worker, and Mr. Shurtleff, the Inmate Services Coordinator, took some of the inmates, Stegan, Byron, Denos, and others, to the Neighborhood House to see how much the children enjoyed the gifts.

Mrs. Phyllis Southwick, the Supervisor of the Neighborhood House, and her assistant, Mrs. Julie Watkins, showed our group through the facility.

The organization is going to furnish materials to repair and restore many dolls that we have left, and the women inmates at the Point are going to get these dolls ready in time to give them to the Neighborhood House, in order to make some little girls happy at Christmas."

---Steve Denos

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Jesse Johnson sends in the story about the local County Clerk who told the girl at the counter:

"I'm sorry, Miss, but I can't issue you a marriage license until you have a properly filled out form."

"Listen, Mister, if my boyfriend doesn't care about how my form is filled out, what business is it of yours?"

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An Eastern tenderfoot was taking his first camping trip in the West.

"What happens," he asked the guide, "if one of those rattle-snakes should



"Well? How do you plead?"

bite me on the arm?"

"Don't worry about it, Son, one of your friends will just cut open the fang holes and suck out the poison."

"What happens if I get bitten on the leg?"

"Same thing. One of your friends will make a small slit in the wound and suck out the poison."

"Suppose I should sit on one of them?"

"Then," replied the old trail-hand, "you'll find out who your real friends are!"

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NEWS ITEM FROM LOCAL NEWSPAPER...

"Police Informer Death 'Accidental'"

Los Angeles---The death of police informer George Skalla was 'accidental', a coroner's jury ruled Wednesday, after hearing testimony that Skalla was fatally wounded by ricocheting bullets from officers' guns. "

This is an accurate report. The bullets RICOCHETED off of his liver, spleen, spine, and the ricocheting bullets wiped him out.

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# PERSONALITY PROFILE...

DENNIS KINDER

A native of Salt Lake City, Dennis Kinder, 25, is chosen as the Inmate-of-the-Month for this issue.

Kinder is presently serving a five-years-to-life sentence for robbery, and has served over four years on the commitment.

He is Past President of the Liahona Gavel Club, and past Chairman of the Inmate Advisory Council.

He is currently serving out a full term as President of the Rodeo Club, a group he has been affiliated with for the past four years.

In 1963, he was winner of the All-Around-Cowboy buckle, which is the highest award given in the rodeo competition at the prison.

He is a high school graduate, and is currently assigned to the Cannery, under Medium-A custody classification.

He was one of the first men to be graduated from the Vocational Boiler Room training class, and received his Fireman's license issued by Salt Lake City Corporation.

He is the drummer in the Western Band; "Ross and the Raiders." He has been in featured acts in the past four Felon Follies productions, and was a vocalist with the prison's Western band, "Eddie Gee and the Outlaws."

He presently resides in the Honor Block on the top deck of D-Cellhouse, where he has lived for over 18 months.

He has earned consistent Grade One and Two work reports, and has had no disciplinary reports lodged against him for the past two years.

He was one of the main string softball team members for the M. I. A. team, and has been an active participant in all Field Day events for the past four years.

His chief hobby is leathercraft.

When he leaves the institution, he plans to reside in Tucson, Arizona,

and take advantage of his training as a stationary fireman.

We salute a young man who was able to change his attitude and actions in sufficient time to achieve a commendable record during the final part of his prison sentence. Kinder is first to admit that he did not make that type of adjustment when he was first committed to the institution.

Kinder stated that since he has to be judged on his record, he decided, way back, to make his record say something FOR him instead of against him.

For Inmate-of-the-Month, we salute DENNIS KINDER.

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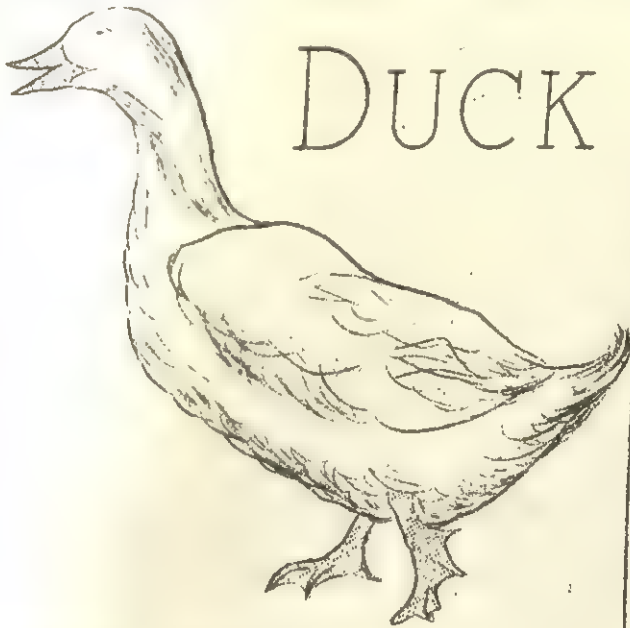
Robert Hulse

Herman Frontz

Kennedy Grant

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ALCOHOLIC RHEUMATISM: Getting stiff  
in every joint.





# DUCK AWARDS....

Freddie Thompson, who works in the Officers' Barber Shop, tricked the old editor into getting down on the cement floor to help look for a lost contact lens. Along came the Captain's Clerk, LeRoy Newman. "Whatcha doin' down on the floor, Quay?"

"Help us find Thompson's contact lens, LeRoy."

"Get up, Fool! That suede never has worn glasses even, much less contact lenses."

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Art Phillips and Lamont Raney win Duck Awards for their nifty feat of copping out to five-year Federal beefs in order to legally bust out of the Point bastille.

The pair pleaded guilty to writing threatening letters to President Johnson and members of his family, in order to be sentenced to Federal terms, with the hope of being turned over to Federal authorities. They will---as soon as their state sentences are finished.

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The biggest Duck Award yet given must go to a pair of prisoners who just arrived at the Point.

We speak of the two gentlemen who disarmed the two deputy sheriffs, and departed the scene in their car.

They made it to San Francisco, in

spite of a five-state general alarm, and the biggest man-hunt in the city's history.

After three straight days of ducking various law enforcement agencies, and successfully making it to Oakland, the pair drove back to Utah in a car that was reported as stolen in San Francisco. One of the men, Steven Clark, was reported to have told newsmen that they returned to Utah "because it was safer in Salt Lake."

Everything connected with the episode had duck-award repercussions:

Phillip Holmes, 42, a parolee from Auburn, New York, blundered into one of the roadblocks thrown up in effort to catch the two escapees. Apparently thinking the roadblock was for him, or unwilling to take the chance of being checked out, Holmes, traveling under the alias of Riggs, crashed through a barrier, injuring Deputy Pete Katulas in the process, and getting shot in the head for his efforts. Holmes died in a Salt Lake hospital without ever regaining consciousness.

The Deputy Sheriff who had his gun taken away by Clark and his partner Joseph Palmasano, also had his job taken away by the Salt Lake County Sheriff, who was a little embarrassed that two young men could make such fools out of his deputies.

The Salt Lake County Sheriff had insult added to injury when he and one of his deputies hurried to Cedar City immediately following the capture of the two escapees, and were rebuffed by sheriffs from both Washington and Iron counties, who informed the Salt Lake County Sheriff that he wasn't running anything south of the Salt Lake County line, and refused to allow him to take possession of their prisoners.

A fifteen year old girl, who was acquainted with the escapees, was referred to juvenile authorities for



felony charges of aiding and abetting an escaped prisoner.

Two St. George police officers were also red-faced victims of the fiasco. They had taken Clark and Palmasano to police headquarters to check them out for having no ownership papers on the car they were driving.

In the police station, the officers were disarmed and robbed of their guns and keys to their car, and the two men became escapees for the second time.

Despite all the usual reports of "vowing never to be taken alive," and the rest of the jazz that goes with escapes and drawn guns, the pair was captured in Cedar City without a shot being fired.

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#### CON HAS BRIEF STAY AS "HIDE-OUT"

William Cerka, 25, serving a Second Degree Burglary sentence, became the object of an extensive search of the prison compound on Tuesday, June 21.

Cerka was housed in the Close Custody section of A-Block, and did not check in for the 4:20 p.m. evening meal for Close Custody inmates.

Lt. Pace Richards, the lieutenant on duty, ordered the escape siren to be sounded immediately after a check was made of Cerka's cell.

All available personnel assisted in searching the buildings and grounds within the prison compound.

Extra surveillance of the fences was ordered, and the inmates from the main cellblocks were released for the evening meal, which was an hour late.

Following the feeding of the main line, a block ring-in was ordered, and all available prison personnel continued the search for Cerka.

He was found in the Plate Plant building at approximately 7:30 p.m.

Capt. Loyal Birchell, one of the off-duty officers called in to assist in the search, found Cerka hiding in the rafters of the Plate Plant.

The "escape" hide-out lasted less than four hours from when Cerka was first listed as missing until he was lodged in Isolation to await action of the prison Disciplinary Committee on



"Hold it! THIS one is the garbage. That one is tonight's beef stew."

Friday, June 24.

Old-time cons theorized that since Cerka was no stranger to the B-North Segregation Unit, he had gambled with an escape bid, with the assurance that if he did not make it he would be automatically quartered on B-North.

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#### CON BROADCASTS PHONEY PROPAGANDA

Pointerites were buzzing over the statements made by Dean McQueen, who was released from the institution on parole last Spring. He was a guest of a local radio station shortly after his release, on the radio program called "Controversy."

The title fitted the subject matter quite well.

During this program, McQueen made statements in public that even the most gullible civilian would tag as grandiose exaggerations, if not downright lies.

He charged that the institution fed beans three times a day, that the inmates were physically mistreated, that he, himself, was merely the victim of a miscarriage of justice and his commitment was actually illegal.

He rambled on in this vein throughout the interview, apparently in the mistaken belief that the bunk he was spreading would be of help to the men of the Point. Our advice to him is: "If you want to help us---stop helping us!"



# DEPARTMENT SPOTLIGHTED...

The hot spot of the prison is the Classification Office. The Assignment Officer, Leon Hatch, has the responsibility of assigning housing for every inmate in the institution.

Three clerks assist him in the impossible task of attempting to satisfy seven-hundred convicts as to their choice of cells and job assignment.

The Pass Clerk is Jerry McGuffey, who was the former Chief Clerk in the Culinary Department, later graduating to an assignment as the Classification Clerk. Still later, he made a slight miscalculation as to what ingredient should be used to sweeten coffee. The mistake caused him a trip to the Hospital, where he fought the battle of the stomach-pump.

During McGuffey's hospitalization, Larry Seymour was advanced to the job of Classification Clerk. Seymour is presently sandwiching three hours of college studies in with the multiple clerical duties attached to his job.

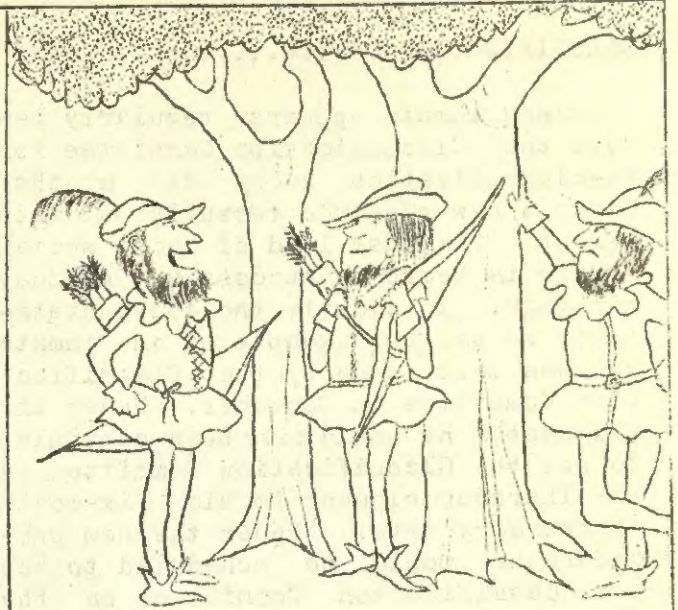
McGuffey very recently transferred to the Mail Room, as one of two clerks assigned to that department. He joined forces with Dennis Parker, the Chief Clerk in the Point's version of the Postmaster General's office.

The administration regards the mail clerk assignment as highly sensitive, and as a position of considerable responsibility and trust. They therefore put two requirements on the job: Candidates for the assignment to undergo special screening, with approval by the Mail Officer, and the further stipulation that no individual shall hold a Mail Room assignment over six months.

This ruling requires Mail Supervisor Galyn Blackburn to scout for a new clerk every six months.

The most recent "graduate" from the Mail Room is Larry Nelson, who transferred to the Classification Office as the new Pass Clerk.

Nelson is best known for his rodeo



"Let's rob the rich and give the poor just enough to keep the income agents off our necks."

performance in the Point's rodeo, and in civilian circles.

The File Clerk, Harold Burleigh, best known to the entire institution as Fats Burleigh, has seniority over the office personnel, but prefers to retain his present assignment, rather than contend with the hectic action associated with the job of Classification Clerk. Fats recently was taken to Third District Court to settle an amicable divorce action. He told the Pointer News that it was the first time in his life that he has ever ENJOYED a trip to court.

The "Boss" of the office, Mr. Leon Hatch, is now a senior at the Brigham Young University. He spends his leisure time hours as the manager of a Little League baseball team. When asked how he spent his time in the winter season, when there was no ball games, he stated that he carried more hours of college courses, and that he then has no such thing as "free" time.

The Classification Office prints a monthly alphabetical roster, listing each prisoner's name, number, social case worker, custody classification, cell number, and work assignment.



# CLASSIFICATION OFFICE... (Continued)

Every inmate appears regularly before the Classification Committee for re-classification every six months. Under a new schedule recently put into effect, the case load of each social worker is heard on successive Thursday mornings. To clarify the above statement, we use the example of an inmate who was last seen by the Classification Committee in December. Under the old system he would have been scheduled to see the Classification Committee on the Thursday closest to his six-month anniversary date. Under the new procedure he would be scheduled to see the Classification Committee on the Thursday allotted for the cases of his particular case worker.

Special applications, referrals, Farm screening, and applications for Dormitory and Honor Block screening are handled routinely each Thursday.

An inmate may apply for transfer to the Honor Block after serving six months in Medium Custody status, with no disciplinary reports. This time limitation is sometimes reduced to four months, if housing is available in the Honor Block.

An inmate is technically eligible for transfer to the Minimum Security Facility at any time upon being committed to the institution. Transfer to the Farm is not ordinarily made for prisoners who have less than two years served on a five-to-life sentence, or for inmates who have records of narcotics convictions, prior escapes, or commitments for violent crimes that have involved considerable notoriety.

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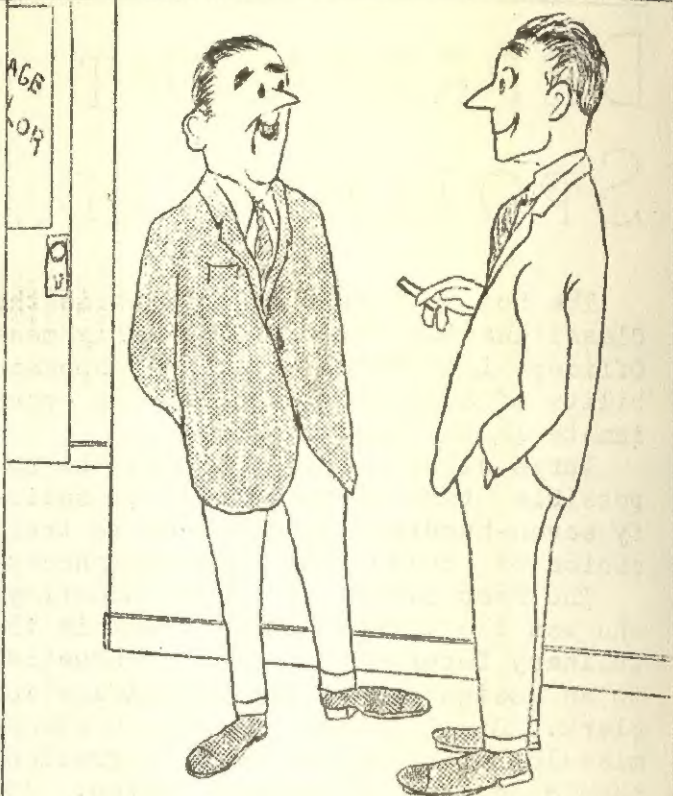
## EQUAL RIGHTS . . .

When they hailed Hershell Winters into court, the judge informed him that he could either have the case tried by him alone, or the case could be heard by a jury of his peers.

"What's peers?" Suspicious Hersh wanted to know.

"Peers are your equals," explained the judge. They are men of your own class---your own kind."

"You try this case by yourself,



"I had a very good session with my marriage counsellor. He told me how to get along with this woman---and without my wife getting wind of it."

Judge," Hersh told him. "I don't want to be tried by a bunch of crooks!"

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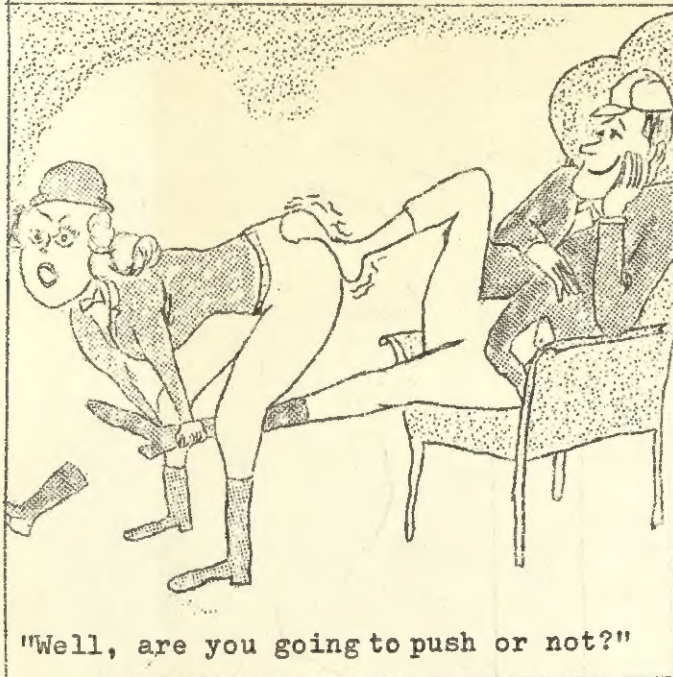
## TATTOOS TO STAY

The Pointer News contacted the Medical Director, Dr. William Knott, regarding the possibility of inaugurating a tattoo-removal program.

Dr. Knott granted an interview, and gave several cogent reasons why such a program could not be put into effect. First, the rules of the institution specifically forbid the removal or the application of any tattoos during the time a man is incarcerated in the Utah State Prison.

Dr. Knott stated that while he personally was in favor of tattoo removal in certain cases, still, he could not institute a program which would be (Continued on next page)





### TATTOOS TO STAY... (Continued)

based primarily on subjective needs. For example: A man with a facial tattoo is operated on, and the tattoo removed because it is felt to be a psychological impairment. Who is to rule that the next applicant, who has an unwanted tattoo on an arm, leg, or torso, does not have an equally compelling psychological reason?"

"Another reason for not being able to remove tattoos in the Prison Hospital is the fact that the present plastic surgery program utilizes all available facilities of the Hospital," reported the Medical Director.

In Dr. Knott's opinion, the nose and various face operations presently conducted by the volunteer plastic surgeons are much more important than any tattoo removal.

Dr. Knott stated that the Prison Hospital is not adequately staffed to handle the number of operations that would be needed if a program of tattoo removal were to be authorized.

The present budget allowance for the medical facility could not support the added expense of an additional surgeon that would be needed in a program of tattoo removal. The Medical Director also pointed out that in many cases the removal of a tattoo leaves a scar more unsightly than the tattoo.

Dr. Knott agreed that there are

cases in which a man had a tattoo applied in his youth, that has since become a psychological barrier to successful rehabilitation. Dr. Knott stated that he truly sympathizes with the man in such cases, but under the existing circumstances, tattoos must be borne the same as any scar or skin blemish, since a tattoo removal program is out of the question in the near future.

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CHAPLAIN: "Remember, the good book says, As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he."

DRAPER: "Then I'm either a nude woman or a new Cadillac."

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### S U C C E S S S T O R Y . . .

#### ---Improvement Era

(With apologies to the head of the English Department at Brigham Young University, Dr. Dale H. West)

This story concerns three letters: The first is from a new salesman...

"Dear Boss, I seen this outfit which they ain't never bought a dime's worth of nothin' from us, and I sole them a couple thousand dollars worth of goods. I am now going to Chicago."

The second letter was from the same salesman, dated two days later:

"I came here and I sole them twenty grand worth of stuff."

The third letter was from the company president, addressed to the sales force, and with copies of the other two letters enclosed:

"We been spendin' too much time hear tryin' to spel insted of tryin to sell. Lets watch those sails. I want every body should read these letters from Gooch, who is on the road doin a great job for us, and you should go out and do like he done."

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FROM:

P. O. Box 250

Draper, Utah 84020

TO:

DON'T FORGET!

POINT' RODEO  
JULY 29, 30